(d) Yes, Sir. Cases involving Judges are referred to the Chief Justice of India for such action as he deems fit.

National Judicial Commission

221. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to set up a National Judicial Commission to deal with the problems of the judiciary including their recruitment to higher echelons of the judicial service; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether the view point of the Bar Associations, various State Governments and the Chief Justices of High Courts and the Chief Justice to the Supreme Court of India would be elicited with regard to the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise

Scheme for mentally handicapped

222. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme to provide pension or other support for the mentally handicapped persons;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken and being taken in this regard to secure a life with human dignity for the mentally handicapped persons?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR): (a) to (c) The States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Delhi, Gujarat, Chhattisgarh, Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Haryana, Maharashtra, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Punjab, Orissa, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Rajasthan and Union Territories of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Lakshadweep, Daman & Diu and Chandigarh are providing disability pension/maintenance allowance/social security to persons with disability including mental disability.

The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is implementing "Deen Dayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme" under which financial

assistance is provided to 239 Non-Governmental organizations to run special schools for children with mental retardation and 9 rehabilitation centers including one vocational training center for the mentally ill. Under the Scheme of Assistance to Purchase of Fitting of Aids and Appliances, aids and appliances are provided on need basis to persons with disability including mentally disabled.

The National Trust for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities (NT) is running a three year pilot project called "supported Guardianship Scheme" under which 750 severely disabled persons from below poverty line families are given guardianship on paid basis. The National Trust is also providing financial assistance to 113 day care centers, respite care centers and residential/ permanent homes.

The National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation extends loan upto Rs. 3.00 lakhs for person with mental retardation through his/her parents or legal guardian or spouse and loan upto Rs.5.00 lakhs to the Parent's associations of the persons with mental disability to set up income generating activities.

Shortage of garages

†223. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a shortage of car-garages for the ground floor and first floor flats of Type-V in Kaka Nagar, New Delhi, a residential colony of the Central Government Employees;

(b) whether Government would consider the scheme for providing car-garages to the first floor allottees on priority basis; and

(c) if so, by when this scheme would be implemented and if there is no such scheme, whether new car garages would be built so that every allottee could get this facility?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per existing guidelines, ground floor allottees are offered garages only when no first floor allottee of Government accommodation is waiting for allotment of garage.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.